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**From:** Ozmen, Shamus [Ozmen.Shamus@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 12/8/2020 8:05:30 PM  
**To:** Aubee, Catherine [Aubee.Catherine@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Overbey, Dian [Overbey.Dian@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: Quick question -- Inert Finder/PFAS (deadline: 11 am EST, 12/8)

Many thanks Catherine. That makes sense and we will use that language.

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**From:** Aubee, Catherine <Aubee.Catherine@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 3:03 PM  
**To:** Ozmen, Shamus <Ozmen.Shamus@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Overbey, Dian <Overbey.Dian@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Quick question -- Inert Finder/PFAS (deadline: 11 am EST, 12/8)

We don't actively monitor this database so  
It has many legacy substances.

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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Best,  
Catherine  
Associate Director  
OPP Registration Division  
US Environmental Protection Agency

On Dec 8, 2020, at 2:52 PM, Ozmen, Shamus <Ozmen.Shamus@epa.gov> wrote:

I have a suggestion below:

On Dec 8, 2020, at 2:36 PM, Overbey, Dian <Overbey.Dian@epa.gov> wrote:

How about:

Question: I'm working on a quick story about PFAS appearing in an insecticide, Anvil 10+10, and I noticed on EPA's Inert Finder application that perfluoroalkyl substances (seemingly two of them?) appear as approved ingredients for non-food use only. Just wanted to confirm that was the case and if there is any concern about those chemicals, and/or if EPA has any concern about PFAS appearing in pesticides generally?

Response:

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Not all substances that appear in InertFinder are used in currently registered products. We continually verify that listed substances are not being used in any currently registered products. If a listed substance is verified as not used in registered products, then it will be removed from the database. For the substance perfluoroalkyl, we are currently working to remove it from the InertFinder.

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**From:** Ozmen, Shamus <[Ozmen.Shamus@epa.gov](mailto:Ozmen.Shamus@epa.gov)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 08, 2020 2:26 PM  
**To:** Overbey, Dian <[Overbey.Dian@epa.gov](mailto:Overbey.Dian@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** Re: Quick question -- Inert Finder/PFAS (deadline: 11 am EST, 12/8)

We still need a sentence to acknowledge the question about these results.

On Dec 8, 2020, at 2:24 PM, Overbey, Dian <[Overbey.Dian@epa.gov](mailto:Overbey.Dian@epa.gov)> wrote:

Are you okay on this now, Shamus?

Dian

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**From:** Ozmen, Shamus <[Ozmen.Shamus@epa.gov](mailto:Ozmen.Shamus@epa.gov)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 08, 2020 2:17 PM  
**To:** Aubee, Catherine <[Aubee.Catherine@epa.gov](mailto:Aubee.Catherine@epa.gov)>; Overbey, Dian <[Overbey.Dian@epa.gov](mailto:Overbey.Dian@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** Leifer, Kerry <[Leifer.Kerry@epa.gov](mailto:Leifer.Kerry@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Quick question -- Inert Finder/PFAS (deadline: 11 am EST, 12/8)

Hi Catherine,

Thank you so much for the quick response. When perfluoroalkyl is searched, here is a screenshot of the results.

<image001.jpg>

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**From:** Aubee, Catherine <[Aubee.Catherine@epa.gov](mailto:Aubee.Catherine@epa.gov)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 2:14 PM

**To:** Overbey, Dian <Overbey.Dian@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Ozmen, Shamus <Ozmen.Shamus@epa.gov>; Leifer, Kerry <Leifer.Kerry@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Quick question -- Inert Finder/PFAS (deadline: 11 am EST, 12/8)

I think yes but we asked for specific information on which two chemicals were identified so we can follow up and remove from the system as appropriate. I never heard back.

Best,  
Catherine  
Associate Director  
OPP Registration Division  
US Environmental Protection Agency

On Dec 8, 2020, at 1:59 PM, Overbey, Dian <Overbey.Dian@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Catherine,

We are trying to confirm that the PFAs inerts listed in the inert finder are there by mistake and should be removed. I've been trying to reach Kerry, but I understand he is on leave today.

Called your work cell but, like me, you haven't set up your voice mailbox!

Can you confirm? If so, ASAP?

**Dian D. Overbey**  
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**Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)**

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**From:** Dennis, Allison <Dennis.Allison@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 08, 2020 1:42 PM  
**To:** Siedschlag, Gregory <Siedschlag.Gregory@epa.gov>; Ozmen, Shamus <Ozmen.Shamus@epa.gov>; Overbey, Dian <Overbey.Dian@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: Quick question -- Inert Finder/PFAS (deadline: 11 am EST, 12/8)

Can you verify asap that these chemicals are in there by mistake/need to be removed? And then let's remove them ASAP?

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**From:** Keigwin, Richard <[Keigwin.Richard@epa.gov](mailto:Keigwin.Richard@epa.gov)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 1:28 PM  
**To:** Dennis, Allison <[Dennis.Allison@epa.gov](mailto:Dennis.Allison@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** Dunn, Alexandra <[dunn.alexandra@epa.gov](mailto:dunn.alexandra@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** Re: Quick question -- Inert Finder/PFAS (deadline: 11 am EST, 12/8)

I believe the answer is yes, but please check with Catherine. Thanks.

Rick Keigwin  
Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Management  
Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention  
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Phone: 202-564-2910  
Sent from my iPhone (Please excuse typos!)

On Dec 8, 2020, at 1:27 PM, Dennis, Allison <[Dennis.Allison@epa.gov](mailto:Dennis.Allison@epa.gov)> wrote:

So, do these need to be removed from the database?

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**From:** Keigwin, Richard <[Keigwin.Richard@epa.gov](mailto:Keigwin.Richard@epa.gov)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 8, 2020 1:25 PM  
**To:** Dennis, Allison <[Dennis.Allison@epa.gov](mailto:Dennis.Allison@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** Dunn, Alexandra <[dunn.alexandra@epa.gov](mailto:dunn.alexandra@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** Re: Quick question -- Inert Finder/PFAS (deadline: 11 am EST, 12/8)

This question comes up periodically. I know OPP has tried to correct InertFinder. It might be helpful for the Comms Team to reach out to Catherine Aubee, the Associate Director of the Registration Division. She has spent quite a bit of time trying address the issue.

Rick Keigwin

Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator  
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On Dec 8, 2020, at 1:20  
PM, Dennis, Allison  
<[Dennis.Allison@epa.g  
ov](mailto:Dennis.Allison@epa.gov)> wrote:

Head's up!

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**From:** Hackel, Angela  
**Sent:** Monday,  
December 7, 2020 6:11  
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11 am EST, 12/8)

Hello,

Please see the below.  
Her deadline is 11:00  
am tomorrow.

Please let me know  
how you would like to  
respond.

Thanks,

Angela

Angela Hackel  
Senior Advisor  
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